SLCSD Elementary STEM Fair Projects Due Dates

- 1. STEM Fair projects are due online on Tuesday, January 26th between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. More information about our online platform will be available in December.
- $2.5^{th}-6^{th}$ grade judging will occur online on Wednesday, January 27^{th} between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm.
- 3. STEM Fair winners will be announced online on Thursday, January 28^{th} between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm.

Top scoring projects in each research category will proceed to the University of Utah Science and Engineering Fair on March 1-12. Information about Research Categories can be found on the permission slip below.

4. The STEM Fair drop-in celebration for awards will occur on February 3^{rd} from 11 am -1 pm and 4 pm -6 pm. The location will be announced in December.

SLCSD Elementary STEM Fair Project Rules

- 1. Only 1-3 students per STEM Fair project.
- 2. All students in grades 5th-6th must complete a permission slip signed by their guardian and teacher BEFORE beginning their project. This permission slip should be e-mailed to their school STEM Fair Coordinator.

The Elementary and Junior Division permission slip can be found here: https://usef.utah.edu/students#paperwork

3. STEM Fair projects must be completed following a power point template.

Short Version:

Science Project

Engineering Project

Long Version:

Science Project

Engineering Project

Please do not add extra slides beyond what is allowed in the power point templates.

4. STEAM Fair projects using the power point template must be saved in the following format "last name_project title_grade" If your project title is long, please shorten it to the first five words.

- 5. Photographs of students involved in the projects are allowed in the power point. Protect the identity of others by hiding their faces.
- 6. Animations and videos are not allowed in the power point. Students can share video during the judge interview.
- 7. Company or University logos are not allowed in the power point.
- 8. STEM Fair project journals are encouraged, but not required, for students in grades 5th-6th grade. Students are encouraged, but NOT required, to upload one photo to their power point showing a completed page(s) in their lab notebook. The photo may alternatively show the lab notebook open to a completed page in front of a stack of all notebooks and/or binders used.
- 9. If humans are part of the project than a nurse, psychologist, or doctor's signature is required on the permission slips for grades 5th-6th BEFORE students begin their projects. If you need help finding a doctor, please reach out to Kristen Bonner at indianhillsscience@gmail.com
- 10. If humans are part of the project and under 18 than their guardians must give written permission for them to participate in the project. Please turn these permission slips in with the permission slips for grades 5th-6th.
- 11. The only nonhuman animals allowed in science fair projects are personal pets. If the projects include pets, the projects MUST NOT inflict any harm to the pets.
- 12. If nonhuman animal pets are part of the projects than a veterinarian's signature is required on the permission slips for grades 5th-6th BEFORE beginning the projects. If you need help finding a veterinarian, please reach out to Kristen Bonner at indianhillsscience@gmail.com.
- 13. Students cannot grow mold or other microbes at home or in an elementary school.
- 14. Please choose a project that allows you to follow Utah health guidelines, such as wearing a mask and staying 6 feet apart from people from outside your household.

Please feel free to reach out with any STEM Fair questions or concerns to Kristen Bonner, SLCSD Elementary Fair Manager at indianhillsscience@gmail.com or (801) 699-5433.